1	2	3	4	5
20.	Kamrup	Rangia	608	C-DOT
21.	Kamrup	Ulubari	3000	RLU-E-10B
22.	Karimganj	Bazarghat	256-P	C-DOT
23.	Karimganj	Bazaricherra	256-P	C-DOT
24.	Karimganj	Braigram	256-P	C-DOT
25.	Karimganj	Nilambazar	256-P	C-DOT
26.	Morigaon	Moirabari	256-P	C-DOT
27.	Nagaon	Dhing	256-P	C-DOT
28.	Nagaon	Lanka	568	C-DOT
29.	Nagaon	Lumding	568	C-DOT
30.	Nagaon	Purani Godam	256-P	C-DOT
31.	Nalbari	Barama	256-P	C-DOT
32.	North Lakhimpur	Bihupuria	256-P	C-DOT
33.	Sibsagar	Sonari	312	C-DOT
34.	Sonitpur	Dhckiajull	448	C-DOT
35.	Sonitpur	Gorai Mari	256-P	C-DOT
36.	Tinsukia	Chapakhowa	256-P	C-DOT
37.	Tinsukia	Ledo	256-P	C-DOT

B. Proposed conversion of Electro-Mechanical Exchanges in Assam during 1997-98.

Sl. No.	District	Location	Present Capacity	Exch. Type	Proposed Capacity	Exch. Type
1.	Kamrup	Rangia	200	MAX-II	1000	C-DOT
2.	Kamrup	Panbazar (GH)	4800	MAX-I	10000	E-10B Expansion and RLUs

With above conversions. All the Telephone Exchanges will be Electronic.

Revenue Earned by Doordarshan by Telecast of Sports Events

2484. SHRI T. GOPAL KRISHNA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the revenue earned by Doordarshan by telecast of sports events in the country;

(b) whether there is any decline in revenue earnings after the entry of foreign TV Companies in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken for improving revenue earnings?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) The revenue earned by Doordarshan from various sports events during the last one year is as under :

Event	Revenue (Rs. in lakhs)
Independence Cup-1997	2125.00
National Games, 1997	50.80
French Open, 1997	49.00
Wimbledon, 1997	303.08
Kuber Championship, 96	16.75
Titan Cup, 96	488.60

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Induction of Four Non-Official Directors

2485. SHRI ANNASAHIB M.K. PATIL : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to induct four non-official directors into the Steel Authority of India Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof and what would be its financial impact; and

(c) the guidelines prescribed for appointments for these directors?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) to (c) The Government has decided to support nine PSUs in their drive to become Global Giants. Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) is one of the selected PSUs. As a part of this decision four professionals/experts in relevant fields are to be inducted as part-time non-official Directors in the SAIL Board. The final selection of these Directors would be

made by the Administrative Ministry from a panel of names to be recommended by the Search Committee, comprising Chairman-PESB, Secretary, DPE, and Secretary of the Administrative Ministry.

In SAIL, the part-time non-official Directors are paid Travelling/Daily Allowances, and sitting fees (at present Rs. 1000/- for each meeting), for attending Board/Board-Sub-Committee meetings.

[Translation]

Post Offices in the Country

2486. SHRIMATI SUBHAWATI DEVI :
DR. A.K. PATEL :
SHRI D.P. YADAV :
SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL :
SHRIMATI PURNIMA VERMA :
SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT 'BACHDA' :
SHRI SHATRUGHAN PRASAD SINGH :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the reply given to the Starred Question No. 34 dated 24.7.1997 and state the place for opening of Post Office, circle-wise during 1997-98?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : Post Offices are opened subject to norm based justification and availability of resources. Targets for opening post office in Tribal and other areas, Postal Circle-wise under Annual Plan 1997-98 have been allotted in the given Statement I attached.

The proposals for opening of post offices under the current, Annual Plan are under formulation/examination. 18 Post Office have been sanctioned far and the Circle-wise details are given in Statement II attached.

Statement-I

Allotment of targets for opening Post Offices during Annual Plan 1997-98

Sl. No.	Name of Circle	Departmetal Sub Post offices			Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices		
		Other Areas	Tribal Areas	Total	Other Areas	Tribal Areas	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pd.	1	1	2	7	3	10
2.	Assam	1	1	2	17	8	25
3.	Bihar	3	2	5	27	13	40
4.	Delhi	2	-	2	5	-	5
5.	Gujarat	2	-	2	17	8	25
6.	Haryana	2	-	2	15	-	15
7.	Himachal Pd.	1	1	2	7	3	10
8.	J & Kashmir	1	-	1	11	4	15
9.	Karnataka	5	-	5	23	7	30
10.	Kerala	2	-	2	10	-	10
11.	Madhya Pd.	1	1	2	25	12	37
12.	Maharashtra	3	-	3	26	9	35
13.	North East	1	2	3	17	8	25
14.	Orissa	1	1	2	18	9	27
15.	Punjab	2	-	2	17	-	17
16.	Rajasthan	1	1	2	22	11	33
17.	Tamil Nadu	2	-	2	16	5	21
18.	Uttar Pradesh	6	-	6	53	17	70
19.	West Bengal	3	-	3	38	12	50
	Total	40	10	50	371	129	500

Statement-II

Particulars of Post Offices sanctioned during the first year of the 9th Five Year Plan under Annual Plan, 1997-98

Name of the Post Office	District	Classification
1	2	3
Departmental Sub Post Offices		
Delhi Circle		
1. Yojana Vihar	Delhi	Urban
2. Saket	New Delhi	Urban
Haryana Circle		
1. Garhi Birbal	Karnal	Rural
Karnataka Circle		
1. Lalankere	Hassan	Rural
2. Rani Chennammanagar	Belgaum	Urban
Uttar Pradesh Circle		
1. Usmanpur	Barabanki	Rural
2. Kothi	Barabanki	Rural